

**THE EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION IN WHICH AN EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY
OR PRIVILEGE IS CLAIMED ARE DEFINED AS FOLLOWS:-**

/WHAT I CLAIM AS MY INVENTION:-

1. A foot operated fishing net tipper comprising:
 - 5 a. a boat-attaching having,
 - i. an outer bracket,
 - ii. an inner bracket,
 - iii. an outer clamp adapted with a channel to slide in a mating channel
within the outer bracket,
 - 10 iv. an inner clamp also having a channel adapted to slide unidirectionally
in a mating channel within the inner bracket,
 - v. a ratchet mechanism adapted with a hinged member hinged to the
planar member within an opening where said hinge member is
adapted with a plurality of teeth mating with a reversed pattern of
15 teeth atop the channel of the inner clamp,
 - vi. a pair of upwardly projecting plates integrally attached to the planar
member thereby forming two raised fins above said planar member
through which a horizontal reinforced perforation is provided to
rotably engage an axle holding the net holding portion,
 - 20 b. a net-holding portion having:
 - i. a lower and an upper hemi-cylindrical half forming a generally hollow
tubular member where said lower half is fixedly attached to an axle

housing member through which an axle passes and also adapted with a hinge and latch pins, the upper half of the net holding portion is adapted with a mating hinge,

- ii. latches having a opening through which the latch pins of the lower half of the net holding portion frictionally engage,
- iii. a turn bolt having a knob and a threaded stem protruding a similarly threaded opening at the very top of the upper half of the net holding portion,
- iv. a strike located on the lower rearmost surface of the lower half of the net holding portion having a rearward hook portion and a horizontal perforation a lock portion having a pivoting latch and a lever fixedly attached to an axle housing so as to rotably with connecting members where said connecting members form an axle upon which the locking latch assembly rotates,

c. connecting members having rear stabilizer struts and a center transmission arm,

d. a foot pedal assembly having:

- i. a curved toe portion,
- ii. a planar heel portion joined by vertically planar joining members to which upwardly protruding tongues are integrally attached,
- iii. a pedal having an arm and axle housing and a planar pad and an upwardly protruding tongue all integrally attached to said arm by an axle traversing perforations at each joining member,

2. The foot operated fishing net tipper of claim 1 wherein said boat-attaching portion is adapted to clamp onto any small boat side top edge.
3. The foot operated fishing net tipper of claim 1 wherein a secondary boat-attaching
5 portion may comprise of a planar sheet like portion incorporating the upper portions of the primary boat attaching portion but adapted to securedly attach to a wide surface with suitable fasteners.
4. The foot operated fishing net tipper of claim 1 wherein the foot pedal portion is adapted to enable height adjustability between the boat-attaching portion and the foot
10 pedal assembly.
5. The foot operated fishing net tipper of claim 1 wherein the net-tipping portion is adapted with a latch that holds the net-holding portion in a horizontal position when so desired.
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6. The foot operated fishing net tipper of claim 1 wherein the net holding portion comprises two halves of a hollowed cylindrical tube-like portion, which may be quickly collapsed by means of quick release latches.
7. The foot operated fishing net tipper of claims 1 through 6 wherein the use for said
20 foot operated fishing net tipper is to enable hands free operation of a fishing net when fishing from conventional fishing boats.